Meeting with Chairman Lamar Smith (R-TX-21) Tuesday, January 9th 2018 11:00AM, EPA HQ, Administrator's Office

Main Topics of Discussion:

HONEST Act, number one priority he wants to discuss

Thanks you for SAB Reform and kind word in National Journal article

NOTE: Rep. Smith is the Chairman of the House Science, Space, and Technology Committee which has a limited jurisdiction over some of EPA science programs. Chairman Smith has announced he will not run for re-election.

Background: The HONEST Act, which would prohibit the Environmental Protection Agency from proposing, finalizing, or disseminating regulations or assessments based upon science that is not transparent or reproducible. This legislation has been a priority for Chairman Smith. It passed the House but is not likely to move in the Senate. The Congressman would like to discuss potential ways EPA could implement the principals of the bill without legislative action along the lines of the SAB reform effort recently undertaken.

Taking Points:

Deliberative Process / Ex. 5

Attendees:

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